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Requirement based on [REDACTED] 25X1A2g

1. This branch has responsibility for evaluating Chinese Communist announcements of plans for the production of paper. He also must evaluate plans for expanding the plant capacity of the paper making industry. One of the chief criteria for making such evaluations, is the degree of availability of raw material for making paper. We have not been able to obtain specific information on the volume of raw material to the Chinese.

2. The source, in paragraph 5 of subject report, makes an adverse judgment on Chinese production plans for the period of the Second Five Year Plan (1958-62), and apparently bases this opinion in large part upon a knowledge of raw material availability.

3. The following questions relate to Chinese domestic production of raw materials for paper making.

- a. What has been the yearly volume of the principal types of raw material since 1952?
- b. What is the source's estimate of the volume of the principal types of raw material to be expected by 1962?
- c. On the basis of the estimate resulting from question b., what is the source's estimate of paper production in 1962?

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